(ख) क्या यह सच है कि बहुत बड़ी संख्या में पाक सैनिक जम्मू-कश्मीर क्षेत्र में घुसपैठ कर गए हैं; और

(ग) सरकार द्वारा इस संबंध में की गयी कार्यवाही का ब्यौरा क्या है ?

रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री ललित विजय सिंह) : (क) पाकिस्तान हमारे विरूद्ध आतंकवाद को बढ़ाकर और आंतकवादियों को घुसपैठ करने में मदद करके तथा उन्हें हथियार देकर भारत के आंतरिक मामलों मे लगातार हस्तक्षेप कर रहा है । तथापि, पिछले तीन महीनों के दौरान जम्मू-तथा कश्मीर में पाकिस्तानी नागरिकों द्वारा हमारे क्षेत्र मे खुले रूप से घुसपैठ किए जाने का कोई मामला जानकारी में नहीं आया है ।

(ख) जम्मू तथा कश्मीर में पाकिस्तानी सैनिकों की घुसपैठ के बारे में कोई सूचना उपलब्ध नही है ।

(ग) भारत सरकार ने इस क्षेत्र में शांति और स्थायित्व बनाए रखने के लिए पाकिस्तान सरकार से इस बात की आवश्यकता पर जोर दिया है कि वह आतकवादियो की सहायता करना बन्द कर दे । इसके साथ ही सीमापार से किसी प्रकार का हस्तक्षेप/घुसपैठ की घटनाओ पर रोक लगाने के लिए भी सीमाओं पर सुरक्षा व्यवस्था को मजबूत करने के उपयुक्त कदम उठाए गए हैं ।

***Financial assistance to sick units**

*175. SHRI JAGADISHJANI : Will the PRIME MINISTER b pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the growing industrial sickness, particularly in the small scale sector in different parts of the country; and

(b) if so, the package of financial assist ance proposed to be extended or measures proprosed to be adopted to revive the sick units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : (a) Data onsick industrial units assisted by banks in the county are collected by Reserve Bank of India as per the definition of sickness adopted by it. According to the lastest data available from Reserve Bank of India, the number of sick small, medium and large scale industrial units under the SSI and Non-ssi categories as at the end of December, 1988 is indicated as under:

No. of Non-SSI sick units	No of SSI sick units
1,241	2,40,573

(b) For revival of sick industrial units Government of India have go a uniform policy for the whole country Some of the important aspects are as follows.

(i) The Government have enacted a comprehensive legislation namely 'The Sick Industrial Companies' (Special Provisions) Act, 1985. A quasi-judicial body designated as 'The Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR)' has been set up under the Act to deal with the problems of sick industrial companies in an effective manner, which has become operational with effect from 15th May, 1987.

(ii) The Reserve Bank of India have issued guidelines to the banks for strengthening the monitoring system and for arresting industrial Sickness at the incipient stage so that corrective measures are taken in time.

(iii) The banks have also been directed by the Revserve Bank of India to formulate rehabilitation packag-

for the revival of potentially viable units. The banks and financial institutions evolve rehabilitation packages for the revival of sick units.

(iv) Reserve Bank of India have also issued guidelines separately to the banks indicating parameters within which banks could grant reliefs and concessions for rehabilitation of potentially viable sick units without reference to Reserve Bank of India both in the large and small scale sector.

(v) Central Government of India has introduced Modified Rehabilitation Money Scheme with a view to supplementing the efforts of the State Governments in reducing the incidence of sickness in the small scale sector Under the liberalised scheme the maximum amount of assistance per unit available to sick small scale units for rehabilitation has been increased from Rs. 20,000/- to Rs 50,000/-.

(vi) An Excise Relief Scheme for weak units has also been announced The Scheme would apply to any unit in which 50% or more of the maximum net worth in any of the previous five accounting years has been eroded by accumulated losses The unit should have a rehabilitation, modernisation or diversification package approved by a designated financial institution. The eligible unit would be entitled to an interest free loan, with a grace period of 3 years and repayable over seven years, amounting to 50% of its actual excise payments for three years subsequent to the approval of the scheme. The total amount given by way of such 'Excise Loans' will not exceed 25% of the overall cost of rehabilitation/modernisation/ diversification

(vii) A Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has been established in April, 1990 to function as an Apex Bank for tiny and mall scale industries The authorised capital of this bank will be Rs. 250 crores and will be sub-

Production Transfer right of the Advanced Jet Trainees to Hindustan Aeronautics Limited

*176. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN, SHRI VIREN J SHAH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state.

(a) Whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in "The Economic Times" dated the14th December, 1990 under the caption "Pussy footing by Government irks Northrop" on the possibility of India losing the opportunity of obtaining Production Transfer Right of the advanced jet trainer to the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited in view of the delays in responding to the offer of Northrop;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government needs a full cost proposal to make a decision; if so, what are the reasons for not formally declaring its intention to consider the proposal to obtain the full cost proposal from Northrop which it has promised to provide without any additional foreign exchange outgo; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to gear up its decision making process to ensure that the HAL is not denied a strategically important production alternative?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI LALIT VIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Before arriving at such a major decision, it is required to closely examine the comparative techno-economic viability of all available options Process is underway to arrive at an acceptable solution in the best interests of the Air Force and our production agencies.